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Honorable Alan K. Campbell Chairman, U.S. Civil Service Commission 1900 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20415

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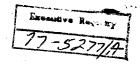
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

: F. W. M. Janney

Director of Personnel

SUBJECT

Intergovernmental Personnel Act Mobility

Program

REFERENCE

General memorandum for Heads of Departments

and Agencies fr Chairman, U.S. Civil Service

Commission dtd 29 Jul 77

1. Action Requested: Transmittal of response to request from the Chairman, U.S. Civil Service Commission relative to participation in the Intergovernmental Personnel Act mobility program.

2. Background:

- (a) The Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 and its implementation through the Intergovernmental Personnel Program (administered by the U.S. Civil Service Commission) is directed at providing Federal financial and technical assistance to State and local governments to strengthen and maintain a high standard of public service at the local level.
- (b) One of the principal features of the technical assistance part of the Program is the authority for Federal agencies to arrange for temporary assignment exchanges between the Federal Government and State and local governments, educational institutions and Indian tribal governments.

The personnel assignment or 'mobility' program is primarily oriented to the exchange of personnel between public service programs which are administered at the Federal and local government levels-usually in programs partially funded by Federal funds.

(c) The nature, purposes and milieu of the Intergovernmental Personnel Program have not been considered to be relative, appropriate nor compatible for CIA participation.

3. Recommendations:

- (a) That CIA remain a nonparticipant in the Intergovernmental Personnel Program.
- (b) That the attached courtesy letter be forwarded in response to the referenced memorandum.

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